IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/578,493 Confirmation No.: 7885

Applicant : Laurent DESIRE
International Filing Date : November 5, 2004

Title : BACE455, AN ALTERNATIVE SPLICE VARIANT OF THE

HUMAN BETA-SECRETASE

TC/Art Unit : 1649

Examiner: : Olga N. Chernyshev Attorney Docket No. : 67987.000002

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, AMENDMENT, AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

Applicant provides the following amendments and remarks in response to the Final Rejection mailed November 18, 2009 ("Office Action"), in the above-identified application.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully petitions for an one month extension of time within which to submit a response, thereby extending the period up to and including March 18, 2010.

Please charge the undersigned's **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the one month extension of time fee. It is believed that no additional fees are required for entry of these remarks, but should any additional fees be necessary to enter this response, the USPTO is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Λccount No. 50-0206.

This response is provided in the following format:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin of page 3 of this paper.